STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir. On June 25, 1987, the C.B.I. conducted raids on the residential/office premises of 10 officers of the Railways, 7 of the Banks, 3 of the Income Tax, 9 of the Central Excise & Customs and 8 of Public Sector Undertakings, in connection with the investigation of the cases registered against them.

(b) Details of items both movable immovable found during the raid are given below:—

Movable assets	Rs. 51.40 lakhs
Immovable assets	Rs. 45.57 lakhs

All the cases are under investigation and appropriate action will be taken based on the findings of the Central Bureau of Investigation.

Drug addicts in the North Eastern Region

@*356. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased ot state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the reported well-knit clandestine organisation running in the North-Eastern region in the country turning the youth into drug addicts;

(b) whether Goverment have obtained any report from the North-Eastern States in this regard; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and the steps contemplated by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) to (c) Reports received by the Narcotics Control Bureau do not indicate the existence of any well-knit clandestine organisation running in the North-Eastern region in the country turning the youth into drug addicts. The quantities of drugs seized in this region do not indicate any large-scale smuggling. However, there have been reports of drug-trafficking across the Indo-Burma border and also of increasing drug addiction in certain parts of the region. Senior officials of the Narcotics Control Bureau visited the region and held detailed discussions with senior officials of Mizoram, Manipur and Nagaland. The field formations have been alerted to check drug-trafficking in the region. The drug situation and the counter measures to be taken to check the drug-trafficking are kept under constant review for taking appropriate action.

Indebtedness among Government Servants

*357. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have ever made any assessment regarding the indebtedness among Government servants;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to conduct a survey in this regard; if so by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

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